

## COEDFFRANC COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at Carnegie Hall.**

**Attendance:** Cllrs J Davies, DK Davies, A Wingrave, M Harvey, J Thomas, I Whitehead Ross, K Whitehead Ross, HC Clarke.

**Part Attendance:** Cllrs JS Jones.

**462: Apologies:** Cllrs R Didcote, B Richards, HR Richards, H Bebell, P Bebell, APH Davies, P Davies.

**463: To receive Declarations of Interest.**

Cllrs I Whitehead Ross and K Whitehead Ross declared an interest in item 473 and left the room during the discussions.

Additionally, it was noted that no Member that had declared an interest in the last meeting took any part in the approval of the minutes for that meeting.

**464: To approve and sign the Minutes of Previous meetings: -**

**a) Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016.**

Approved as a true and accurate record.

**b) Personnel Committee Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016.**

Approved as a true and accurate record.

**465: Matters arising from the minutes. (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

The Clerk reported that she had received a response from the Planning Department regarding re-locating the play equipment in Tennant Park if necessary.

NPTCBC advised that it is unlikely there would be any issue with the proposal provided the facility remains in the same area and remains available for public use.

**466: To receive and approve the accounts schedule for payments and to select two account numbers for a full explanation at the next meeting.**

Accounts were received in the sum of £14,193.70. Account No's 47 and 54 were selected at random for an explanation by the clerk at the next meeting. Copies of the accounts were circulated and the Clerk responded to member's queries.

**467: To receive an explanation from the Clerk concerning Account No's: 11 and 22.**

The Clerk provided explanations, which were accepted by the Council.

**468: Planning Applications:**

**P016/0177 – Alterations and extension to existing dwelling, including part demolition, and construction of two storey and single storey side extension, and provision of enclosed balcony and double garage. Ferryboat House, Earlswood Depot Access Road, Jersey Marine, Neath. (Applicant Mr and Mrs Williams).**  
No observations.

**P2016/0248 – Retention and completion of detached dwelling including porch. Oak Tree Farm Drummau Road, Skewen. (Applicant – Mr Smith, Oak Tree Farm, Drummau Road, Skewen).**

The Clerk was asked to enquire if the property is in open countryside in accordance with the Local Development Plan.

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**Cllr JS Jones arrived at this point.**

**P2016/0311 – Single Storey extension. 25 Newall Rd, Skewen SA10 6ST.**

**(Applicant – Mrs Karen Fenn, 25 Newall Rd, Skewen).**

No observations.

**P2016/0273 – Outbuilding. 42 Cae Nant Terrace, Skewen, Neath SA10 6UP.**

**(Applicant – Mrs Susan Kerslawe, 42 Cae Nant Terrace, Skewen).**

No observations.

**Late Application: P2016/0377 – Detached garage with studio roof space.**

**Neuadd Drymmau, Drummau Road, Skewen. (Applicant – Ms Valler, Neuadd Drymmau, Drummau Road, Skewen).**

No observations.

**469: To receive a report from any Member concerning meetings at which he or she represented the Council.**

None.

**470: To receive a report from the Personnel Committee.**

Cllr K Whitehead Ross reported on the meeting and the information was noted.

**471: To receive a letter from Peter Black AM regarding Jersey Marine Playground.**

The Members discussed the content of the letter.

It was noted that the Welsh Assembly has now entered the Pre-Election Period.

Therefore, Mr Peter Black is no longer an AM until after the Elections are held.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk should get a price to install an additional two panels, and that she should respond to Mr Peter Black after the Elections if he is re-elected.

**472: To receive a request for Financial Assistance from Bobath children's Therapy Centre.**

The Members discussed the request for financial assistance.

**Resolved:** That no donation should be made because of the reserves they hold.

**473: To receive a request for Financial Assistance from Briton Ferry Silver Band.**

The Members discussed the request for financial assistance.

**Resolved:** That a donation of £200.00 should be made.

**474: To receive a request from Go Green for Health, Ground Work Wales to hold weekly sessions for Walking Football in the area below the Bowling Greens for one hour per week using their own cones and portable goals.**

The Members discussed the request.

**Resolved:** That permission is granted for them to hold a one hour session on a weekly basis, free of charge for a one year trial period, provided that they fetch their own equipment, and take away any litter caused by their participants.

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**475: To discuss/decide if the Community Council should consider turning 2 or 3 of the Tennis Courts into additional parking spaces for Skewen Park and the Memorial Hall.**

The Members discussed the issue.

The Clerk reported that there are parking issues during busy periods. If both the Bowls Clubs and are home and the Cricket Club have a game the car park is always full to capacity. It was suggested that two of the tennis courts could be used as an overflow carpark rather than being converted into permanent parking. The Clerk informed the Members that if this proposal were to go ahead that a Memorial Bench would need to be re-located.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk obtains the costs to convert two of the tennis courts into overflow car parking, so that the tennis courts could still be used if the additional car parking is not needed and report back to the Members.

**476: To receive a Self-Nomination Form to complete for the Committees you would like to sit on following the 2016 AGM.**

The information was noted by the Members.

**477: Correspondence:**

a) **To receive a letter of thanks from St Mary's Church for supporting them in their successful bid for funding to the Welsh Government to progress to stage 2.**  
The information was noted.

b) **To receive a letter from Mr Viv Griffiths regarding an incident that happened in Skewen Park.**

The Clerk reported that the letter had been received too late to go onto the Agenda.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk circulates the letter for discussion with the next Agenda.

**Cllr J Thomas**  
**Vice Chair**